



**MICHIGAN**  
**HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**  
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**MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE**  
**ON**  
**TAX POLICY**

Wednesday, June 3, 2015                      10:30 a.m.                      Room 521, House Office Building

The House Committee on Tax Policy was called to order by the Chairman, Representative Jeff Farrington.

Members present: Representatives Farrington, Maturen, Somerville, Yonker, Howrylak, Chatfield, Glenn, Iden, Webber, Townsend, Clemente, LaVoy, and Byrd.

Members absent/excused: None.

Representative Maturen moved to adopt the minutes from the Wednesday, May 20, meeting.

There being no objection, the motion prevailed by unanimous consent.

The Chair laid HB 4461 before the committee:

HB 4461 (McCready)                      Taxation; administration; interest on claim for refunds; modify timeline.

Representative McCready, introduced substitute (H-1) to the committee.

Representative Maturen moved to adopt the substitute (H-1) to HB 4461.

The motion prevailed by a vote of 12-0-0.

**FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:**

YEAS: Representatives Farrington, Maturen, Somerville, Yonker, Chatfield, Glenn, Iden, Webber, Townsend, Clemente, LaVoy, and Byrd.

NAYS: None.

PASS: None.

Paul Connors, representing the Michigan Department of Treasury, testified to HB 4461.

The following people submitted a testimony card in support of HB 4461 and HB 4462, but did not wish to speak:

John Lindley, representing the Michigan Association of Certified Public Accountants.

Jason Puscas, representing the Detroit Regional Chamber of Commerce.

Allie Bush, representing the Grand Rapids Regional Chamber of Commerce.  
Amanda Fisher, representing the National Federation of Independent Business.  
Tricia Kinley, representing the Michigan Chamber of Commerce.

The Chair laid HB 4516 before the committee:

HB 4516 (Hughes)                      Property tax; appeals; petition for retroactive property tax for certain eligible disabled veterans; allow.

Representative Hughes and Brian Werschem, Fruitport Township Supervisor, introduced HB 4516 to the committee.

Paul Connors, representing the Michigan Department of Treasury, testified and was neutral on HB 4516.

Judy Allen, representing the Michigan Townships Association, Deena Bosworth, representing the Michigan Association of Counties, and Nikki Brown, representing the Michigan Municipal League, testified in opposition to HB 4516.

Mark Sutton, representing the American Legion- Department of Michigan, submitted a testimony card in support of HB 4516, but did not wish to speak.

The Chair laid HB 4124 before the committee:

HB 4124 (Townsend)                      Individual income tax; retirement or pension benefits; limitations and restrictions on retirement income deduction for a surviving spouse; clarify.

John Lindley, representing the Michigan Association of Certified Public Accountants, submitted a testimony card in support of HB 4124, but did not wish to speak.

Representative Townsend explained the substitute (H-2) to the committee.

The following people submitted a testimony card in support of HB 4124 (H-2), but did not wish to speak:

Sue Tumosa and Lisa Dedden Cooper, representing AARP.  
Mary Pollock, representing the State Employee Retirees Association.  
Howard Ryan, representing the Michigan Department of Treasury.

Representative Townsend moved to adopt the substitute (H-2) to HB 4124.

The motion prevailed by a vote of 13-0-0.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

YEAS: Representatives Farrington, Maturen, Somerville, Yonker, Howrylak, Chatfield, Glenn, Iden, Webber, Townsend, Clemente, LaVoy, and Byrd.

NAYS: None.

PASS: None.

Representative Townsend moved to report HB 4124 as substitute (H-2), with recommendation.

The motion prevailed by a vote of 13-0-0.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

YEAS: Representatives Farrington, Maturen, Somerville, Yonker, Howrylak, Chatfield, Glenn, Iden, Webber, Townsend, Clemente, LaVoy, and Byrd.

NAYS: None.

PASS: None.

There being no further business before the committee and seeing no objection, the Chair adjourned the meeting, the time being 11:12 a.m.

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Representative Jeff Farrington, Chair

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Date Approved and Signed

Kevin Gawronski  
Committee Clerk  
June 3, 2015  
43 minutes